HOMELAND DEFENSE EQUIPMENT REUSE (HDER) PROGRAM BULLETIN No. 5 June 2003

Welcome to the HDER Program Bulletin - an eNewsletter from the HDER Program. Every month we will deliver the latest news and updates on HDER related issues. Please email us your feedback and suggestions for future content.

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NEWS

HDER Program Expansion on June 1, 2003

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office for Preparedness (ODP) is pleased to announce the expansion of the Homeland Defense Equipment Reuse (HDER) Program. Radiological detection equipment, training, and technical support is now available through this program to emergency responder agencies nationwide.

ODP utilizes its pre-existing relationships with state administering agencies (SAA) to administer this program. ODP will provide packages of program materials to the SAA HDER Points of Contact (POC). This package serves as a resource for the HDER POC and includes fact sheets, briefings and program overviews, instructions detailing how to submit requests for HDER services (equipment, training and technical support), informative radiological incident management publications, and equipment guides.

Requests for HDER services will be accepted once per quarter, on a first-come-first serve basis. If a local jurisdiction is interested in participating in the program they should contact their SAA HDER POC. Contact information for the SAA HDER POC will be posted on the ODP website at http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/odp/docs/hderbulletins.htm.

The HDER Services Management Tool is Now Available on the Secure ODP Portal

ODP is pleased to announce that the first release (version 1.0) of the HDER Services Management Tool is now available on the secure ODP Portal. This online tool is designed to support the administration of the HDER program by managing requests for HDER services (equipment, training, and technical support).

Note: Only designated HDER points of contact (POCs) will have access to the HDER Services Management Tool.

EVENT HIGHLIGHT

HPS New England Chapter Event

Christiana Briggs from ODP attended the June 4th meeting of the New England Chapter of the Health Physics Society. Ms. Briggs briefed the chapter representatives on the status of the HDER Program Pilot Project, the nationwide implementation of the HDER Program and the local HPS chapter roles and responsibilities.

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June 2003

- HDER Program goes nationwide to allow all fifty U.S. States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and the four U.S. Territories to participate in the program and receive equipment, training, and local long-term technical support.
- ODP briefs the New England Chapter of the Health Physics Society (June 4)
- HDER DPETAP Training scheduled for San Francisco, CA (June 4-9, 12, 13)
- HDER DPETAP Training scheduled for Los Angeles (Metro), CA (June 16-25)

July 2003

- HDER DPETAP Training scheduled for Los Angeles (Harbor), CA (July 7-16)
- Annual HPS Conference will take place July 20 24, 2003 in San Diego, CA. A HDER training session is scheduled for the morning of July 24.

HDER PROGRAM CONTACT INFORMATION

Questions about the HDER Program and requests for additional information may be directed to the ODP Helpline at 1-800-368-6498.

Please visit http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/odp/docs/hderbulletins.htm to view current and/or past editions of the HDER Program Bulletin.

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